14 August 1957

The Honorable Loyd Wright
Chairman, Commission on Government
Security
441 G Street, N. W.
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Wright:

We have been studying in detail the excellent report of the Commission on Government Security, and we are now preparing comments for submission to the Department of Justice and the Bureau of the Budget, according to instructions from the President.

From a reading of your report we arrive at the conclusion that it was the intent of the Commission that the National Security Agency and the Central Intelligence Agency be exempted from the program because of the unique requirements of these agencies. However, in studying the proposed legislation, it is our view that while employees of these agencies are exempted there is considerable doubt that the agencies themselves are exempted.

In view of the above situation it would be helpful to us if the Commission could confirm our understanding of the report that it was the intent of the Commission not only to exempt employees of the two agencies but also to exempt the agencies themselves from the requirements of this program.

Your comments on this matter will assist us materially. With kindest regards, and in continuing appreciation of the splendid work done by your Commission,

Sincerely.

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cc: Legislative Counsel
Director of Security
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John S. Warner Acting General Counsel

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